

Local and Personal

News Items Gathered from All Around the City of Baxter Springs.

New Business Block

Construction work was started Monday morning on a brick business block for the Michener Hardware company. Walter Michener, one of the firm and a builder himself, will have charge of the work until it is finished.

The building will be 40 feet in width and 80 long and will be of about the same height as the Porter M. Clark furniture store. It will occupy ground space immediately north of the Clark building. Between the Clark and the Jaqueth & Gilman building is a space of 75 feet. J. W. Barnes bought the remaining 35 feet last Saturday from E. M. Michener.

E. M. Michener, the senior member of the hardware store, is one of the pioneer merchants of Baxter. He has stuck with the old town throughout many of its ups and downs and has prospered in the long run. He is convinced now that prosperity has come to stay and is building to fulfill the demand of the business for enlarged quarters. A large warehouse for heavy hardware is already located on the rear of his new site.

To Start Golf Club

A week or two ago this paper printed a story about Ed Polster's experience with the popular game of golf, while at Hartford, Kas., during the holidays. The story has caused the enthusiasm brought back by Mr. Polster to spread all around town and now there are several business and professional men who are of the opinion that Baxter ought to have a golf club. Mr. Polster has looked up a suitable piece of ground that can be had for the cost of pasture rent and with the ground available the rest is easy. It has been suggested that a meeting be called for those who are interested at which time the subject can be discussed and if the idea appeals to a sufficient number a club will be organized. Since the subject was brought up it has been found that a few gentlemen in this vicinity, mostly connected with the new mining industries, are acquainted with the game and no doubt could be persuaded to get into the local club. And they would be a big help in starting the greenhorns off.

New Home

George W. Buckingham, Frisco agent, has closed a contract with J. T. McAndrews for the erection of a modern six room residence on lots recently purchased of D. S. Chubb on the northeast side of town. The site is beautiful in situation, overlooking the river and a wide stretch of country territory to the north and east. Within the past few months the north east part of town, on account of its elevation and the rugged contour of the surface skirting the river banks, has been picked out as the choicest residence section of the city and the Buckinghams are to be congratulated on having secured so choice a site for their permanent home.

Well, well. Russell Parsons has started the old springtime wheel a rolling. Be it now resolved that Russel Parsons has this day ordered one \$22.50 spring suit. Now follow boys. We have the best line of samples that can be put out for the money. Suit \$10.00 up to \$65.00. We guarantee the fit or your money refunded. Now is the time to order; \$5.00 down and \$1.00 a week. Can you beat it? See O. D. Lockhart, Baxter Dye Works.

Methodist Church Notes.

Hear the Junior choir at the Methodist church.

One hundred and forty eight in attendance at the M. E. Sunday school last Sunday.

The attendance at church services at the M. E. church is getting better every Sunday. All are invited.

Brother Whoopingcarr gave us two excellent sermons last Sunday and the Junior choir was at its best. Come next Sunday and hear them.

Come to Sunday school next Sunday and help to bring the attendance up to the two hundred mark.

January Births.

To Mr. and Mrs. Wm. H. Holt, Lowell, Kan., January 4th, a son.

To Mr. and Mrs. Linder Atkins, R. F. D. No. 4, January 7th, son.

To Mr. and Mrs. Ed Gilmore, R. F. D. No. 2, January 12th, son.

To Mr. and Mrs. Hunter Gregor, city, January 14th, a son.

To Mr. and Mrs. John Elrod, R. F. D. No. 2, January 17th, a daughter.

To Mr. and Mrs. Jim Waits, city, January 23rd, a daughter.

To Mr. and Mrs. Alpha Winfrey, Riverton, January 30th, a daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Doty, city, a son.

Pleads Galena's Cause

P. M. Clark, of Galena, is in town the most of the time this week attending to several improvements about his furniture store. He is quite good natured when joshed about the Galena railroad fight, but says the people of Galena are firm in their stand for what they believe is necessary to the good of their city and still contend that they would rather have Mr. Rogers take his railroad clear around Galena than to cut across the extreme southern end and make their city simply a whistling station. "We are not fighting Baxter," said Mr. Clark, "but we want a fair deal over there. We want our people, who are interested in the new field to enjoy the convenience of a connecting line that will run through Galena and not past the city." Mr. Clark thinks the matter will be settled with an election.

New Bottling Works

Ald. Geo. Sikes has decided to install a soft drinks manufacturing plant here. It will be known as the Baxter Springs Bottling Works and will be of a large capacity, intended to supply the trade of Baxter and the mines. Heretofore Mr. Sikes has had an agency here for the Galena Bottling works. In the new plant the Galena manufacture will be interested with Mr. Sikes. The plant will give employment to several hands.

Miss Nell Weaver entertained a few of her friends at an informal theater party Thursday night. The party was given at the Majestic theatre and from there the young people went to Miss Weaver's home where a tasty luncheon was served. Those who attended are Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Covey, Miss Marie Covey, Burton Covey, Ted Treece and Arthur Youse.

Ted Mason has entered the employ of the W. R. Dunham Motor Company of Webb City, agent for the Overland and Knight, and will have Baxter for his headquarters at present, keeping cars here for demonstration purposes.

Your Boy's Chum.

If you are a father, are you acquainted with your boy's chum? Do you know him to be fit company for your son?

Every normal boy has singled out from his friends and acquaintances one particular chum. This chum is his "other self," all of the "other self" he will have until years of maturity develop in him the sex attraction.

If you have studied boy nature, or even if you can recall your own boyhood days, you must know that they are the days wherein the lasting impressions of life are formed. It is also the period when the dominion of a strong personality is most potent for good or evil over a weaker or more plastic nature.

Have you studied your boy's chum? It may be almost as necessary as a study of the boy himself. Is that chum all you could wish him to be? Is he stronger, or weaker, of purpose and character than your boy? If stronger, all the more reason for you to know his real character, for he is as sure to impress his personality upon your son as that strength overcomes weakness.

The boy rarely develops habits or traits of character acquired from mere chance acquaintances or from strangers. It is from his intimates that he absorbs ideas that become fixed in the mind and develop into character. Hence the imperative necessity that those intimates be of right character.

Some think it is risky business to attempt to regulate a son's friendships. Admittedly so, yet you have it in your power to in a large degree control the matter.

Every normal boy has great respect for his father, provided that father is deserving of his respect. The first step, therefore, is to secure and deserve the boy's confidence. This accomplished, a little tactful consideration on your part, together with a personal interest in his every day life, ought to give you control of the situation.

But the surest way to control the matter is to constitute yourself the boy's chum. This can be done if the matter is taken in hand early in the boy's life.

To every young boy his father is a model of perfection. His first boyish ambition is to imitate father. If that father is deserving of imitation and will cultivate his boy's confidence, the problem is solved.

Every father should seek first place in his boy's confidence. He should make certain that he stands higher in the boy's regard than all others. And as the years pass he should see to it that the bond is strengthened instead of weakened. But this can only be done by fully entering into the life of the boy and by making his life your life.

It will pay better than any other investment you can make.

School Notes.

Miss Marie Piper, of Ash Grove, Mo., has taken up her studies with the tenth grade.

On Thursday and Friday of this week there will be no school. All the teachers except Mr. and Mrs. Yeager will attend the Southeastern Kansas Teachers' Association at Chanute.

The Senior class was entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Twente, Friday night.

The evening was spent playing Progressive Rook. At 11 p. m. a delicious luncheon was served. Those who attended are Misses Juanita Hash, Viola Schloeman, Georgia Allen, Helen Dively, Doris Swalley, Opal Stoskopf, Grace Gaines, Tulsa Barnes and Messrs John Browne, Jack Paul, Burton Covey, James Fithian and Lester Jarrett.

Among those seen at Joplin Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Wally Covey, Miss Marie Covey, Ted Treece, Clare Rebus, Art Youse and Miss Winnie Fagg.

WILD GAME IS NOW PLENTIFUL

Conservation Society Reports Breeders Are Renewing Supply of Birds.

WILD DUCKS AT \$1 EACH

It is suggested That New Industry of Raising Game May Reduce Cost of Meat—Encouraged in 35 States.

New York.—The raising of "wild game" is a comparatively new industry in this country, but has been making remarkable strides in the past 12 months, according to the report of the Game Conservation society, which recently held its annual meeting here. The society's membership includes many breeders who have established game farms for the purpose of renewing the country's supply of game fowl for table consumption. This supply, according to members of the society, was rapidly diminishing until a year or so ago, and many of the most delectable forms of wild food that had formerly been plentiful in this country had become rare dishes even for epicures.

Wild ducks and pheasants are among the varieties of fowl that are being raised by the breeders at the present time, and according to the society's report the former have become so plentiful through this method in some states that they have appeared on the market at prices which place wild duck within the range of the public generally instead of the rich alone. In Minnesota, the report states, wild duck sold at \$1 each this year. It is suggested in the report that at the present rate wild duck and other formerly rare fowl may actually tend to lower the cost of the more commonplace meats of daily consumption.

Many States Permit Breeding. "Thirty-five states now have laws permitting the breeding and sale of all or certain species of game, and many game farms have been started in other states in anticipation of laws encouraging the industry," the annual report says. "Reports coming to the society indicate that all of the states and some of the Provinces of Canada soon will permit and encourage game breeding."

"Reports coming to our game census indicate that our members have over a million game birds—there were fewer than 100,000 reported last year—and that they have several times as many deer and elk as they had last year. The membership of the society has doubled during the year, and our list shows a very rapid increase."

"The breeding of quail and grouse has been started in the western states, and there is much interest in quail breeding in the southern states, which are well adapted to the production of quail in big numbers."

Despite the fact that hundreds of thousands of pheasants have been raised by the breeders, the report says, the prices have continued to rise because importers have been prevented from bringing these birds from foreign countries. The report also states that the breeding of game fish is beginning to attract widespread attention and to prove highly profitable.

"It is evident that comparatively little of our vast territory will be needed to make America the biggest game producing country in the world, since game overflows from the many breeding grounds and restocks large areas where it has become extinct, the sportsmen in all localities find they are benefited and all prejudice against the industry seems to have disappeared."

Benefits Are Shown.

"It is highly important that as game becomes plentiful much of it should be eaten, and the sale and eating of game must be relied on to keep up the industry, especially when it is undertaken by popular clubs with small dues, which should sell some of their game and eggs to help pay the cost of production. The Game Conservation society is especially interested in clubs of this character and is constantly at work to help these organize."

"A notable example of the benefits of game breeding has occurred on Long Island. The clubs report that mallards are plentiful not only on club grounds, but also on public waters, where hundreds of birds have been shot recently. Before game breeding was undertaken the mallard was seldom seen on Long Island. A single bird in a bag attracted attention. The ornithologists referred to the mallard as an occasional visitant."

"Quail shooting has been kept open on the island for all hands without fear of extinction, and in whole states where there are no quail clubs it has been found necessary to prohibit quail shooting at all times. When there is as much breeding proportionately in other parts of the country as there is on Long Island there will never be the necessity for prohibiting all shooting, as is now the case in many of the quail states."

Junk Shop in Hog's Stomach. Lockhaven, Pa.—Dory Hummel of Beaver Springs, killed a porker which he knew was a big one, but which exceeded the estimates of the most conservative authorities by several pounds. In the hog's stomach were found 50 tennepenny nails and six pieces of scrap iron, four to six inches long by one inch wide.

Lieut. M. F. Bundy, late of Co. G. 2nd Missouri Inf., which regiment returned from the border the first of the year and was mustered out, has come to Baxter to become assistant to Manager Chas. Wells, of the Cunningham-Wells Oil company. This company has just taken over the agency for the General Explosives Company, the independent company which has its factory near Carl Junction. This business means another boost for Baxter, since besides Lieut. Bundy, several other men will be employed in the distribution of the explosives. This agency covers the entire Baxter-Miami mining district.

Miss Dorothy Plumb entertained a number of her young friends at a party at her home Monday night. Games were played and the young people returned to their homes at an early hour. Those who attended are Misses Dorothy Cook, Dorothy Smith, Louise Covey, Anna Manes, Thelma Wells, Grace Opperman, Bertha Sikes, Frances Young and Helen Humphrey and Messrs. Roy Sease, Charles Parsons, Arley Shields, Clifford Hardy, John Browne, Herbert McAboy and Ralph Pfremmer.

Geo. Beale of Western Kansas, is visiting home folks.

Osburn Lynch of Columbus came Tuesday to take charge of the new lumber yard.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Richard Brown west of town Saturday, January 27, a son. Mrs. Brown was formerly Miss Esther Hefley.

Her Reasoning.

Mr. Binks—"It's very kind of you, Maria, but I'd rather buy my cigars myself. Seven for a quarter is rather too cheap!" Mrs. Binks—"I know it's cheap, but I thought there must be at least one good one in the seven."

ROCHE WEARING PONCHO

Mr. Francis Burke Roche has succeeded the Baroness De La Grange (formerly Emily Sloane, daughter of Henry Sloane) as secretary and treasurer of the Lafayette fund. Mr. Roche is here shown wearing the Poncho (oil skin coat), which is included in the Lafayette kit. The kit is packed in a bag such as Mr. Roche is holding.

On account of the inclement weather, the almost continual rainfall at certain seasons, the oil-skin coat is absolutely necessary as part of the soldier's equipment. This is only one of the protections for the health of the soldier.

The Lafayette fund was so named in order to perpetuate the memory of General Lafayette, and what he did to help us in the days of the Revolution.



The headquarters of the Lafayette fund is located at the Hotel Vanderbilt, New York city.

Mr. Roche said that more than 84,000 kits had already been furnished to French soldiers since the start of the war and that the work was going on at a greater pace than ever.

The kit includes the following articles:

- One Poncho (combination raincoat and blanket.)
- One pair of fleece-lined drawers.
- One pair of woolen socks.
- One handkerchief.
- One cake of soap.
- One pipe.
- One package of cigarettes.
- One package of note paper.
- One pencil.
- One can of crust ointment.

PROFESSIONAL CARDS

J. H. BOSWELL, M. D.
Physician and Surgeon.
Office in Daniels Buildings.
Off. phone 269. Res. 274.

DR. R. C. WEAR
Office over Opperman's.
Off. phone 172. Res. 14.

GRANT WAGGONER,
LAWYER.
Office Baxter State Bank Bldg

W. T. HOPE, DENTIST.
Corner Military and Neosho.
The old Thompson stand.

R. E. ROSENSTEIN
Attorney and Counsellor-at-Law
Office East Side Military Street
Baxter Springs, Kansas.

DR. M. I. NICHOLS
Dental Surgeon.
Upstairs in Opperman Building. Latest
appliances used in the practice of
dental surgery.

CHAS. STEPHENS,
LAWYER
Offices: Columbus, and Baxter
Springs at office of R. E.
Rosenstein.

FARM LOANS
AND INSURANCE
PHONE 271.
JACK SPRATT,
STATE BANK BUILDING

E. C. McWilliams, president of
the Commercial Club, was a Mi-
ami visitor Monday.

R. F. Hartley & Son have re-
ceived and installed a large new
refrigerator.

G. L. Burson of Fort Smith is
visiting with his cousin, Miss
Vera Canaday.

Mrs. A. C. Nichols returned
Monday from Farrington, Mo.,
where she has been confined on
account of sickness.

J. M. Harmon, and wife of
Neosho, Mo., have been stopping
at the Baxter Hotel while look-
ing for a place to locate.

O. D. Lockhart was called to
Pittsburg last night on account
of the death of Annie Cain,
daughter of his friends, Mr. and
Mrs. Kain. May the loss in this
family be Herven's gain.

Yes, yes. The Baxter Dye
Works is solely owned by one
party and he is doing fine.
Cleaning and pressing, clothes
called for and delivered, done
family washing, makes altera-
tions and takes orders for spring
suits. When you want anything
in our line call 138. Baxter Dye
Works.

The Hotel Baxter is a busy
place these days. Chef Fribley
is a big drawing card for the din-
ing room and Landlord and Mrs.
Todd are never so happy as when
making their guests feel at home.
The building was sold recently
to a Louisiana man and Mr. Todd
is just now in doubt as to whether
he will be able to renew his lease
when it expires on April 1st. He
is just getting the business on a
paying basis and it would be un-
fortunate should he be compelled
to retire at this time.

Chicken Dinner

The W. R. C. will give their
quarterly dinner Saturday, Feb.
3, at the G. A. R. hall. Mrs.
Emma Cook, Correspondent

J. H. Melton and son, Roscoe,
are opening an office in Baxter
to be known as the Baxter Mining
Exchange and Real Estate Co.

Mrs. O. M. Youse and children
and Mrs. Ed Covey and daughter,
Kathleen, motored to Picher,
Okla., Sunday and visited with
Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Harris.